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Paradata

- User interaction with an Electronic Instrument
- Contact History Information (Interview Session, Failed Contact Attempts)

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- **Paper OCR Processing**
- Non-ID Address Processing Status

Session Level

- Session ID
- Session Start Timestamp
- Session End (or Timeout) Timestamp
- Session Referring Domain URL
- Session Device Type
- Session Browser Type
- Session Client IP Address
- Session Login Failure Count

Screen Level

- Screen ID
- Screen Name
- Screen Load Timestamp
- Screen Load Language
- Screen Load Window Height
- Screen Load Window Width
- Screen Exit Timestamp
- Screen Exit Language
- Screen Exit Window Height
- Screen Exit Window Width

Item Level

- Timestamp of exact point of capture
- Screen name containing the Content
- ID of the Question Content
- ID of the Response Content
- Language of the Question/Response Content
- Type of Information Provider
- Employee ID of Enumerator or Analyst
- Version Number of Item (possibly the Timestamp)
- Version Type: Respondent Change, Respondent Review, Analyst Edit, etc.

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Response Data

Data

it specific to a

mode or an

instrument?

Does it measure

Unit(s) of

Observation?

Yes

Is the

Respondent

aware that they

are providing a Response?

Yes

Is the value

disseminated

Is the value used in

a mathematical

formula to derive a

value for lissemination?

feature of the

- Response data is any data that is disseminated in a public product or directly used to derive data that is disseminated in a product.
- Response Data is bound to a specific feature of the Unit of Observation. This means that all data collected on the instrument, the enumerator, etc. cannot be response data and must be paradata.
- The Respondent must be fully aware of the full set of response data that is provided by their responses. As an example, the amount of times a respondent select and/or de-selects an option on a web form could be collected as paradata, but since the respondent is not aware that this is being collected as part of the study, this does not qualify as response data.
- Response data must be mode/instrument agnostic. The value of the response should in no way be affected at all by the instrument. Any data that is mode/instrument dependent should be considered paradata.

